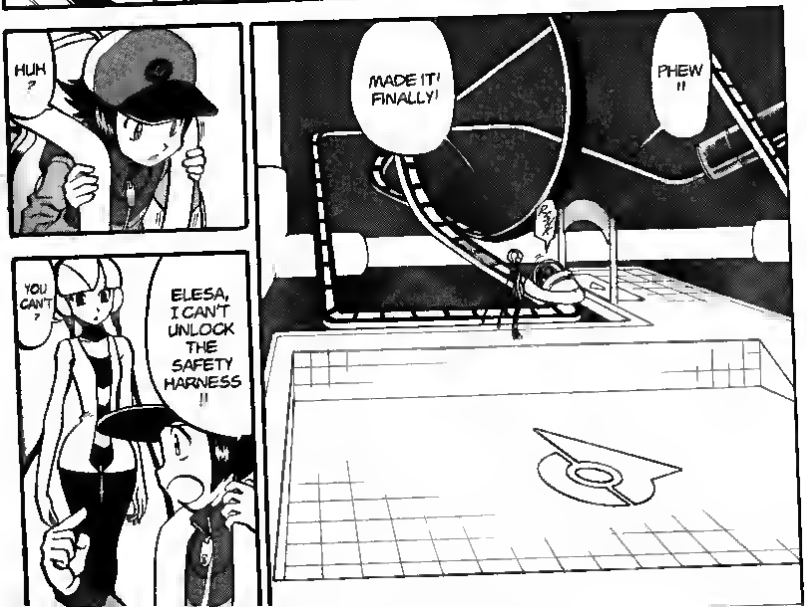
Adventure 24
Battle on a Roller Coaster

...ACTUALLY A HUGE ROLLER COASTER!!
AND THERE'S ELESA, THE GYM LEADER. SHE'S ALSO A FASHION MODEL AND A POP STAR!
Squee
Squeee

ON MY WAY!!
I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU AT THE END OF THE LINE. USE THE ROLLER COASTER TO FIND ME!
2000
AHH!!
Roarrrr!!
WHOA!!
Ziiip
MUSHA!!
CHOMP
ARGH! I CAN'T FIGURE THIS OUT!!
LET'S SEE... IF I TURN THAT WAY.. THEN THIS WAY...
PHEW..! THIS IS MUCH HARDER TO STEER THAN I THOUGHT!

SKREECH!!


HUH ?
MADE IT! FINALLY!
PHEW !!
YOU CAN'T ?
ELESA, I CAN'T UNLOCK THE SAFETY HARNESS !!

...BATTLE YOU NOW LIKE THIS!!
NO WAY! I'LL JUST...
WHAT NOW ...?
OH, I SEE. I GUESS IT'S JAMMED.
Y-YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING!! I'M NOT GOING THROUGH ALL THAT AGAIN AFTER GETTING THIS FAR!!
I'LL HAVE IT FIXED. WHY DON'T YOU COME BACK ANOTHER TIME?
NO COMPLAINTS THEN, IF YOU LOSE, ALL RIGHT...?
HA HA... YOU'RE AS HOT-HEADED AS THEY SAY.
LET'S BEGIN!
YOU MAY USE TWO OF YOUR POKÉMON AND SWITCH THEM OUT DURING THE BATTLE

TULA!!
BOM
ZEBSTRIKA!!
BOM
JOLT
WHOA!!
Rmb
Bl
THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU TO COME BACK LATER!
SH...SHOOT!! AS LONG AS I'M STUCK ON THIS ROLLER-COASTER, I'M GOING TO KEEP MOVING AROUND THE GYM!!

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NOVELTY!
I'VE NEVER HAD A BATTLE WITH THESE CONSTRAINTS BEFORE...
TULA!! ELECTRO BALL!!
SWOP!
KRAK!
KLOPKLOP

gleam
KLOP
KLOP
KLOP
KLOP
KLOP
ROARR
IT'S SO FAST !!
WHOK
FLAME CHARGE !!
ITS ABILITY IS MOTOR DRIVE.
ITS SPEED INCREASED THANKS TO YOUR GALVANTULA'S ELECTRIC ATTACK.

ARE YOU AWARE OF THAT?!
YOU'RE UP AGAINST THE TOP ELECTRIC-TYPE POKÉMON EXPERT IN THE UNOVA REGION, YOU KNOW!!
SO WE'RE BOTH AT THE SAME DISADVANTAGE!
BUT NEITHER DID YOU...
I NEVER EXPECTED TO FIGHT A BATTLE LIKE THIS THOUGH!
YEAH, I KNOW! I DO MY RESEARCH!
ZIP
ZIP
ZIP
NITE!!
KICK
BOOM

IS THAT A PIGNITE?
OOH, NOT BAD!
IT'S VERY FAST, GIVEN ITS LARGE PHYSIQUE ...
THAT'S RIGHT! IT EVOLVED FROM A TEPIG WHILE IT'S BEEN WITH ME, AND NOW IT'S A FIGHTING-TYPE POKÉMON!!
BUT CAN IT HANDLE THIS...?!
VOLT SWITCH !!
KRKKKZT
ATTACK !!
KA KA KA

POOF
HEY! WHERE'D IT GO?!
WHEN DID SHE TAKE HER EMOLGA OUT...?!
WHAM!!

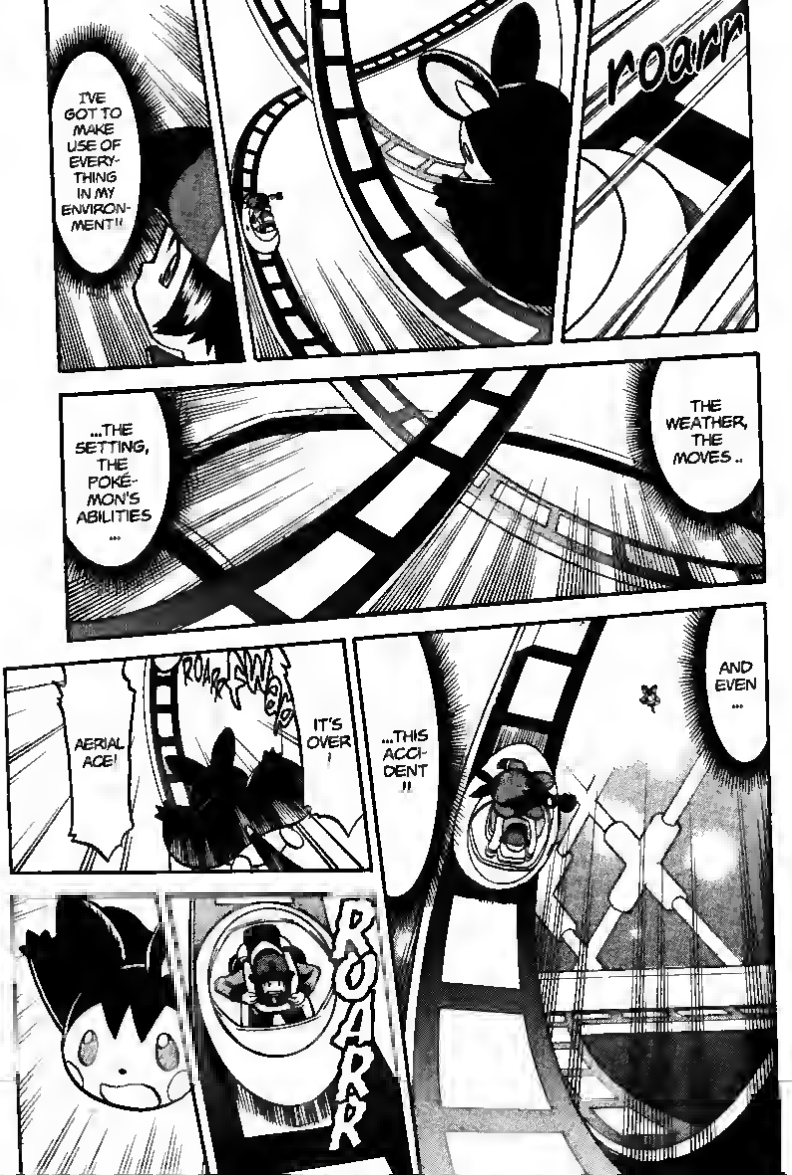
THAT'S ONE OF MY FAVORITE STRAT-EGIES!
YOU CAN ATTACK AND SWITCH OUT YOUR POKÉMON IN A SINGLE MOVE.
KICK
THOK
SWAP SWAP
I'VE GOT TO FIND A WAY TO COUNTER-ATTACK...
SHE'S PUT NITE ON THE DEFENSE AND SHE'S TIRING IT OUT WITH RAPID-FIRE ATTACKS!
NOW... ...NITE !!
WHUMP!

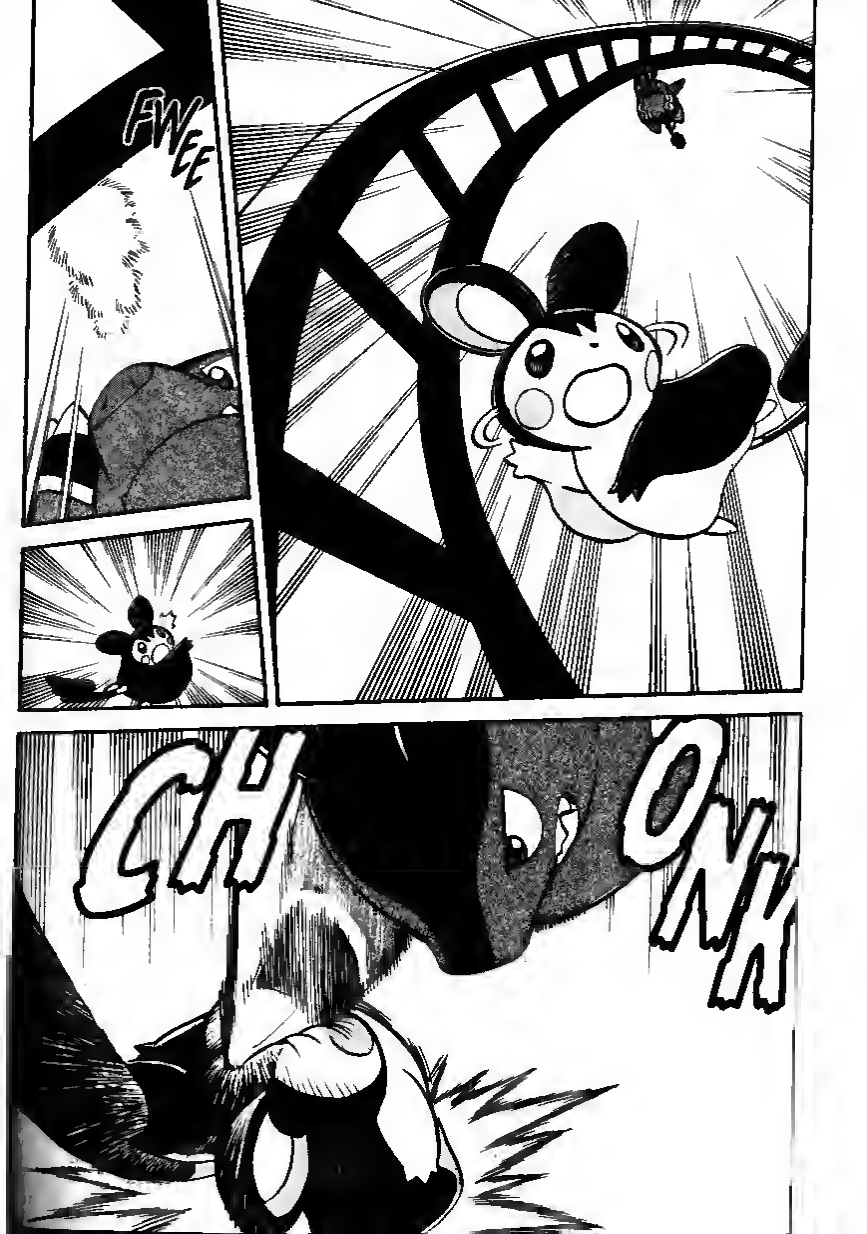
FWUMP!
doing
Bom
doing
doing
BULL-
DOZE
!!
IMPRESSIVE...
YOU KEPT THAT
MOVE, HUH?
AS LONG AS
MY EMOLGA
IS AIRBORNE,
YOU CAN'T
ATTACK IT
WITH ANY OF
PIGNITE'S
MOVES.
IF THAT
BULLDOZE
YOU JUST
USED IS YOUR
TRUMP CARD
FOR THIS
BATTLE...
...CON-
SIDERING
HOW
FATIGUED
YOUR
PIGNITE
IS.
THIS
BATTLE IS
AS GOOD
AS OVER
ANYWAY...

...I THINK YOU'RE DONE FOR!
WUMP
SWOOP
SWAP
SWAP
SWAP
SWAP
SWAP

IT'S SO INCREDIBLY FAST!
AERIAL ACE!!
NITE!!
SO WHY HAVEN'T YOU ASKED YOUR MUNNA...
ONE MORE ATTACK AND YOU'LL BE FINISHED.
ISN'T IT JUST ...?
THAT'S HOW YOU SOLVE PROBLEMS, RIGHT?
THAT'S WHAT YOU DID TO SOLVE THE ROLLER COASTER MAZE, WASN'T IT?
...TO BITE YOUR HEAD AND HELP YOU?
WHY NOT?!
MAYBE, BUT... I'M NOT GOING TO DO THAT.
MAYBE MUNNA CAN HELP YOU BRAINSTORM A WAY OUT OF THIS.

I PROMISED MYSELF I'D NEVER DO THAT.
I DON'T USE MUNNA'S HELP DURING A POKÉMON BATTLE.
BECAUSE WE'RE FIGHTING NOW.
Huf
...I ASKED MY PLAYERS FOR HELP WHENEVER MY STRATEGY WAS FAILING!
What should I do? What should I do?
I'D BE A FAILURE AS A COACH IF...
...IS LIKE THE ONE BETWEEN A SPORTS COACH AND HIS ATHLETES
BASICALLY, I THINK THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A POKÉMON TRAINER AND HIS POKÉMON...
THAT'S PRETTY NOBLE! WELL, LET'S SEE YOU TRY THEN! WHAT'S YOUR PLAN B?!
IT'S MY JOB TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET US OUT OF TROUBLE!!


I'VE GOT TO MAKE USE OF EVERY-THING IN MY ENVIRON-MENT!!
ROARR
...THE SETTING, THE POKÉ-MON'S ABILITIES ...
THE WEATHER, THE MOVES ..
AERIAL ACE!
ROAR
IT'S OVER !
...THIS ACCI-DENT !!
AND EVEN ...
ROARR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YOU WIN, BLACK!
IT APPEARS YOU'VE OUTSMARTED ME!
YOU COULDN'T GET OFF THE ROLLER COASTER, SO YOU USED NITE'S CRASH-LANDING TO YOUR ADVANTAGE!
AN AERIAL ATTACK... USING THE VERTICAL LOOP OF THE ROLLER COASTER FOR MOMENTUM...
AS PROOF OF YOUR VICTORY, I'M GIVING YOU THIS...
...THE BOLT BADGE!
ROARR
HURRAY!

FSSH!
WAGH !!
I'M SICK OF ROLLER COASTERS !!
WHOAAA!!
AND IT'S POURING RAIN!!
IT WENT OUTSIDE ?! ....!
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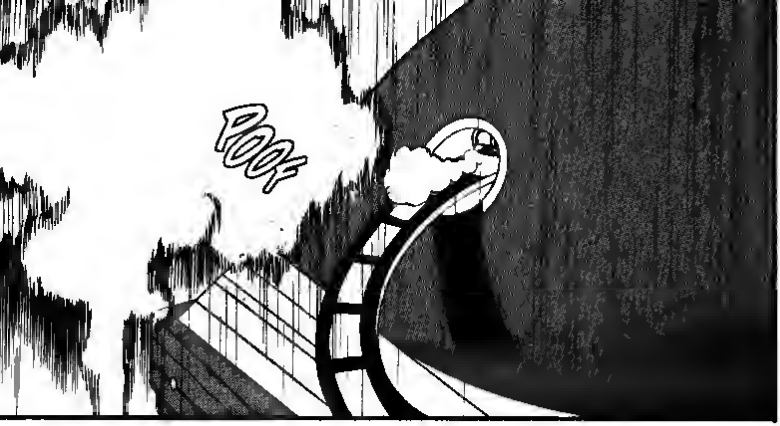
FSSSH
SSSSH
... SUCH A DOWN-POUR AT THIS TIME OF YEAR !!
I'VE NEVER SEEN ...

KRAKKA!!
AHHH!!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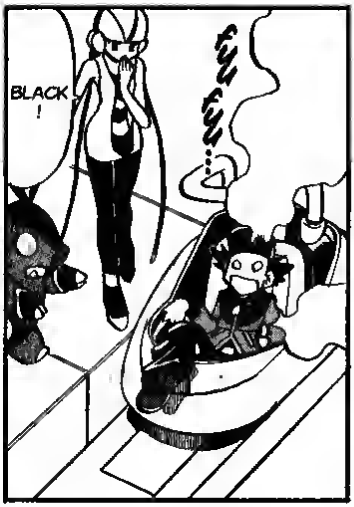
THE FAFETY HARNEFF FINALLY CAME OFF...
I'F FINE, JUSH A FITTLE... SHOCKED.


BLACK !
EEEE!...

...DROPPED A LIGHTNING BOLT ON ME!
AND... A POKÉ-MON WITH A HORN ON ITS HEAD...

WHY THAT MUST BE...!!
A HORN...? A LIGHTNING BOLT...?

I SAW THAT POKÉMON MYSELF ONCE! AS A CHILD, ON THE WAY TO MY GRANDMOTHER'S HOUSE ALONG ROUTE 7!
ONE OF THE TWO FLYING POKÉMON...
THE POKÉMON YOU SAW IS A LEGENDARY POKÉMON OF THE UNOVA REGION.
WHEN I TOLD HER ABOUT IT, GRANNY SAID...
AND TORNADUS, THE CYCLONE POKÉMON.
THE ONE YOU SAW WAS PROBABLY THUN-DURUS.
THUNDURUS, THE BOLT STRIKE POKÉMON.
SEEING IT TODAY WAS A REAL STROKE OF LUCK!
IT'S SAID THAT THUNDURUS CAN FLY FROM CORNER TO CORNER OF THE UNOVA REGION IN JUST ONE DAY!
I PORED OVER THE LEGENDS... EVEN TRIED TO CAPTURE IT ONCE!
I WAS ALREADY AIMING TO BECOME AN ELECTRIC-TYPE POKÉMON EXPERT, BUT FROM THAT DAY ON I COULDN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT THUNDURUS.

THERE ARE SO MANY POKÉMON I'VE NEVER HEARD OF!
FIRST I SAW VIRIZION RUN PAST ME IN PINWHEEL FOREST... AND NOW THUNDURUS.
THE SUN'S COME OUT... IT'S LIKE IT NEVER RAINED AT ALL...
THAT WAS MY FOURTH GYM—AND MY FOURTH BADGE!!
ANY-WAY...
COME ON! LET'S CATCH UP WITH THE BOSS!!